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The attached hand-out "Broadcast Ownership Rules" was used in both meetings. The attachment "CWA Annotation of Economic **Study** F: **Counting** Outlets and Owners in Milwaukee: **An** Illustrative Example" was provided to Ms. Whitesell, and with this ex parte notice, is being provided to the aforementioned Media Bureau **staff.** 

Sincerely,

Debbie Goldman, Research Economist Research and Development Department

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cc: Sarah Whitesell
Paul Gallant
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Attachments

## CWA Annotation of Economic Study F: Counting Outlets and Owners in Milwaukee: An Illustrative Example

Study by Bruce M. Owen, Kent W. Mikkelsen Submitted by **Fox** Entertainment Group, NBC, Viacom **As** attachment to their comments In MB Docket No. 02-277, MM Dockets No. 01-235, 01-317, 00-244 (Comments dated **Jan.** 2,2003)

Table F9. Local Outlets Available to the Average Household in the Milwaukee DMA

Daily Newspapers	1.2
Weekly Newspapers	3.2
<b>Broadcast Television</b>	14.0
Radio	35.2
<b>Cable Television</b>	2.0
Magazines	15.0
Internet	100.0
Total	170.6

Milwankee DNA: 836,000 Househoulds Milwankee Journal Sentirel circulation Weekday 250,000 Sunday 434,000

Table F1, Daily Newspapers and Availability Areas in the Milwaukee DMA

Circul	Circulation						
		Newspaper/Company Name Daily Citizen	Owner Madison Newspapers Inc.**	Counties Where Available Dodge			
9,125	لاء	Daily Jefferson County Union	Hoard's Dairyman**	Jefferson			
		_Watertown Daily Times	Johnson Newspaper Corp.	Jefferson			
32,0	00 N 2, 600	Kenosha News	United Communications	Kenosha			
249,723 N		)	Corp.				
434,	0565	Milwaukee Journal Sentinel	Journal Communications'	Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Washington,			
·				and Waukesha			
30, ∞ 32, ×	ઝ્છ <b>મ</b> ે ૧૦ <b>૦</b> 5	Journal Times	Lee Enterprises Inc.	Racine			
	31) W	Sheboygan Press	Gannett Co. Inc.	Sheboygan			
26,3	88/5	Daily News	Conley Publishing Group	Washington			
را 🕰	4244	Waukesha Freeman	Conley Publishing Group	Waukesha			

Source: Editor and Publisher Yearbook; MapInfo Corporation
Notes:

\* Owner information obtained from www.jc.com/companies/
Owner information obtained by telephone

Source for Cisculation - Burselle's Media Directory, 2003

Table F2. Daily Newspapers Available to the Average Household in the Milwaukee DMA

County	# of daily newspapers	Households per county	County household weight	Weighted number of daily newspapers
DODGE	I	31,417	0.04	0.04
JEFFERSON	2	28,205	0.03	0.07
KENOSHA	1	56,057	0.07	0.07
MILWAUKEE	1	377,729	0.44	0.44
OZAUKEE	1	30,857	0.04	0.04
RACINE	1	70,819	80.0	0.08
SHEBOYGAN	1	43,545	0.05	0.05
WALWORTH	0	34,522	0.04	0.00
WASHINGTON	2	43.842	0.05	0.10
WAUKESHA	2	135,229	0.16	0.32
Total		852,222	1.00	1.20

Daily Newspapers Available to Average Household in Milwaukee DMA 1.20

Sources: Editor and Publisher Yearbook; SRDS Circulation 2003; US Census Bureau.

Journal Communications: 27 Sonthern: 8 Carley: 8 Hometown News: 3 55% of all weeklies

#### Table F3. Weekly Newspapers in the Milwaukee DMA

Circ Na	ame Of Newspaper	Owner	City	Households in city
6,340 Br 1,516 Br Bu Bu	O Plus dvantage rookfield News rown Deer Herald ulletin urlington Standard Press atholic Herald	Plus Publications Confey Publishing Group Ltd. Journal Communications* Journal Communications* United Communications Corp. Southern Lakes Newspapers LLC Milwaukee Catholic Press Apostolate	Hartland West Bend New Berlin New Berlin Kenosha Burlington Milwaukee	3,002 11,375 13,891 5,134 34,411 3,838 232,188
Cd <b>3,434 C</b> u 6,400 De	ommunity Journal ourier udahy/St. Francis Reminder-Enterprise elayan Enterprise odge County Independent-News	Patricia Pattillo**  Hometown News LP**  Journal Communications'  Bliss Communications Inc.  Times Publishing Inc.	Milwaukee Waterloo New Berlin Delavan Juneau	232,188 1,242 11,938 2,931 31,417
3,50, Ell 1,716 Eln 1,716 Fo 4,314 Fra 2,310 Ge 1,51 Gl Go 4,717 Gr Ha 7,800 Ha Ho	ast Troy News khorn Independent Im Grove Elm Leaves Ex Point/Bayside/River Hills Herald ranklin Hub ermantown Banner-Press lendale Herald Evende Village Life reenfield Observer Eartford Booster Eartford Times-Press Oricon Reporter Esh American Post Ealian Times	'Southern Lakes Newspapers LLC 'Southern Lakes Newspapers LLC	East Troy Elkhorn New Berlin New Berlin New Berlin New Berlin New Berlin Whitewater New Berlin New Berlin Hartford Hartford Horiwn Milwaukee Milwaukee	1,350 2,919 2,444 5,184 10.602 6,904 5,772 4,132 6,011 15,697 4,219 4,219 1,474 232,188 232,188

Circulation Source: Burrelle's, 2003 Media Ec Directory Non Daily Newspapers

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Name <b>Of</b> Newspaper	Owner	City	Households
3 (6			in city
3,400 Kewaskum Statesman	Independently Owned**	Kewaskum	1,212
४,२५ 3 Lake Country Reporter	✓Journal Communications*	Hartland	3,002
7,000 Lake Geneva Regional News	Lake Geneva Printing & Publishing	Lake Geneva	3,053
3,000 Lake Mills Leader	Hometown News LP	Lake Mills	1,924
5,900 Mayville News	C Wisconsin Free Press**	Mayville	1,988
1,468Menomonee Falls News	★Journal Communications*	New Berlin	12,844
1, 468 Mequon/Thiensville Courant	<sup>X</sup> Journal Communications'	New Berlin	9,364
Metroparent	¥ Journal Sentinel	Wauwatosa	20,388
40,000 Milwaukee Courier	Jerrel Jones * *	Milwaukee	232,188
10,000 Milwaukee Star	—Hometown News LP**	Milwaukee	232,188
Monday-Mini	Madison Newspapers Inc.	Beaver <b>Dam</b>	6,349
4,200 Mukwonago Chief	▼ Journal Communications*	Mukwonago	2,392
3,574Muskego Sun	L'Journal Communications'	New Berlin	7,533
4,309New Berlin Citizen	XJournal Communications.	New Berlin	14,495
News Graphic	Conley Publishing Group Ltd.	Cedarburg	4,432
North Woods Trader	Delphos Herald Inc.	Eagle	592
Oak Creek Pictorial	✓Journal Communications*	New Berlin	11,239
Oconomowoc Buyers' Guide	*Journal Communications*	Hartland	4,968
S,00 Oconomowoc Enterprise	Conley Publishing Group Ltd.	Oconomowoc	4.968
Ozaukee Guide	. Conley Publishing Group Ltd.	Cedarburg	4,432
<b>8</b> ,500 Ozaukee Press	Port Publications Inc.	Port Washington	4,071
1,400Palmyra Enterprise	'Southern Lakes Newspapers LLC	Palmyra	689
Pennysaver	Lee Enterprises Inc.	Racine	31,449
<b>4,910</b> Review	Barry Johanson**	Plymouth	3,262
'9∞ Sharon Reporter	Not available	Sharon	565
3,300Sheboygan Falls News	Barry Johanson**	Sheboygan	20,779
Shepherd Express Weekly News	Alternative Publications Inc.	Milwaukee	232,188
Shoreline Chronicle	Gannett Co. Inc. **	Sheboygan	20,779
<b>LB</b> Shorewood Herald		New Berlin	6.539
Sounder	Times Publishing Inc. **	Random Lake	613
36 South Milwaukee Voice Graphic	xJournal Communications*	New Berlin	8,694
Spotlight	Jim Clifford**	Watertown	8,022
Sunday Booster	Booster Inc.	Hartford	4,279
Sunday Post	*Conley Publishing Group Ltd.	Cedarburg	4,432
Sunday Post	Conley Publishing Group Ltd.	West Bend	I I <b>.375</b>

827,222	Total DMA Households		
LLE'71L'7	Total Households	Not available	Wisconsin Light
881'787	Milwaukee Milwaukee	Milwaukee Jewish Federation	S,SOB Wisconsin Jewish Chronicle
232,188	Burlington Milwaukee	Hi-Liter Graphics Inc.	2 5 GOW Wisconsin Journal of the characterists
8£8,£			Wisconsin Hi-Liter
ZE PP	Whitewater	Southern Lakes Newspapers LLC	3,000 Whitewater Register
LS#'S	New Berlin	* Lournal Communications	كريك Whitefish Bay Herald
£26'I	Twin Lakes	Southern Lakes Newspapers LLC	Westosha Report
189'1	Union Grove	Southern Lakes Newspapers LLC	ار لاغران Westine Report
5 <b>/</b> £'11	West Bend	Booster Inc.	West Bend Booster
\$09°LZ	New Berlin	*Loumal Communications	4,926 West Allis Star
886,02	New Berlin	* Journal Communications*	L, Lyb Wauwatosa News-Time
599,22	Маикеshа	Conley Publishing Group Ltd.	Waukesha Area Sunday Post
195'I	Waterford	Southern Lakes Newspapers LLC	1,250Waterford Post
		/	Advertiser/Sunday Shopper
34,522	<b>De</b> jakan	Community Shoppers Inc.	Walworth County Shopper-
990'6	ဥေဒီငျ	Delphos Herald Inc.	Vilas County News Review
09L't	Fort Atkinson	Hoard's Dairyman	Union Extra
645,6	Веачет Дат	© Madison Mewspapers Inc.	Tri-County
058	Walworth	Not available	4,44 Times
265	Eagle	Delphos Herald Inc.	Three Lakes News
299'57	Маикезћа	*snoissinummoO lemuol*	773 46 II his Week!
015,5	Hartland	*Journal Communications*	ung xassnSooo
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Notes: \* Owner information obtained from www.jc.com/companies/ \*\* Owner information obtained by telephone

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Table F4. Broadcast Television Stations in the Milwaukee DMA

101 LCS (Harket	CALL LTRS	CHANNEL	OWNER	Local
, , ,	W63CU	63	Weigel Broadcasting Company	•
9%	WCGV-TV	24	Sinclair Broadcast Group Inc したり	
14%	WDJT-TV	58	Weigel Broadcasting Company (35)	1
227	WISN-TV	12	Hearst-Argyle TV Incorporated ASC	$\checkmark$
1990	WITI	6	Fox Television Stations Inc	$\checkmark$
	WJJA	49	TV-49 Inc	
	WMLW-LP	41	Weigel Broadcasting Company	
	WMVS	10	Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board	
	WMVT	36	Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board	
150	WPXE	55	Journal Communications* 74×	
26%	WTMJ-TV	4	Journal Communications* ABC	$\checkmark$
	WVCY-TV	30	VCY America Inc	
9%	WVTV	18	Sinclair Broadcast Group Inc 🔑	
	WWRS-TV	52	National Minority TV	

Source: BIA Database
Notes: \* Owner information obtained from www.jc.com/companies/
Owner information obtained by telephone

tir Market Share Source, BIA Financial Network, 2002 shot Report

#### Appendix F: Market by Market Data

Radio Market	Date	Rank	Stations	Owners	<b>Formats</b>	CR1	CR2	CR4
Milwaukee - Racine	Mar-96	28	34	(22)	16	27.5	n/a	68.5
	Nov-97	29	35	17	16	30.4	n/a	81. <b>1</b>
	Nov-98	31	35	16	16	29.7	51.7	80.2
	Mar-00	31	35	16	17	23.4	46.2	76.1
	Mar-01	31	34	14	18	27.6	51.2	86.5
	Mar-02	32	35	(15)	16	26.2	50.7	86.9

Source: FCC Study #11, Williams + Roberts

#### Table F5. Radio Stations in the Milwaukee DMA

CALL	
LTRS	Owner
WAUK	WALT-WEST Wisconsin Inc
WAZI	L&L Pewaukee Ventures Inc
WBEV	Good Karma Broadcasting
WBFM	Midwest Communications Incorporated
WBM	WBM Inc
WBKV	Bliss Communications Inc
WB\$D	Burlington Area School District
WBWl	Bliss Communications Inc
WCCX	Carroll College
WCLB	RBH Enterprises Incorporated
WEMP	Entercom
WEXT	NextMedia Group
WEZY	Bliss Communications Inc
WFAW	Marathon Media Group LLC
WFDL	BBK Broadcasting Inc
WFMR	Saga Communications Incorporated
WFZH	Salem Communications Corporation
WGLB	Kinlow, Joel J.
WGLB	Starboard Broadcasting Inc
WGTD	Wisconsin Public Radio
WHAD	Wisconsin Public Radio
WHBL	Midwest Communications Incorporated
WHBZ	Midwest Communications Incorporated
WIIL	NextMedia Group
WISN	Clear Channel Communications
WJJO	Mid-West Family Broadcast Group
WJMR	Saga Communications Incorporated
WJUB	Jubiliation Ministries
WJYI	Saga Communications Incorporated
WJZJ	Milwaukee Radio Alliance LLC
WKCH	Marathon Media Group LLC
WKKV	Clear Channel Communications
WKLH	Saga Communications Incorporated
WKSH	ABC Radio Incorporated
WKTI	Journal Communications*
WLIP	NextMedia Group
WLKG	Kwiatkowski, Tom
WLTQ	Clear Channel Communications
WLUM	Milwaukee Radio Alliance LLC
WLZR	Saga Communications Incorporated
WMCS	Milwaukee Radio Alliance LLC
WMDC	BBK Broadcasting Inc
WMIL	Clear Channel Communications
WMSE	Milwaukee School of Engineering

CALL LTRS	Owner
WMWK	Family Stations Inc
WMYX	Entercom
WNOV	Courier Communications
WOKY	Clear Channel Communications
WRJT	Clear Channel Communications
WRM	Bliss Communications Inc
WRRD	Salem Communications Corporation
W\$H\$	Wisconsin Public Radio
WSJY	Marathon Media Group LLC
WSLD	WPW Broadcasting Incorporated
wsuw	University of Wisconsin System
WTKM	Kettle Moraine Broadcasting Company Inc
WTKM	Kettle Moraine Broadcasting Company Inc
WTMJ	Journal Communications
WTTN	Good Karma Broadcasting
WUWM	
WVCY	VCY America Incorporated
WXER	RBH Enterprises Incorporated
WXRO	Good Karma Broadcasting
WXSS	Entercom
WYMS	Milwaukee Board of School Directors
WZRK	Starboard Broadcasting Inc

Source: BIA Database

Notes: Owner information obtained from www.jc.com/companies/

#### Table F7. Regional Magazines Available in the Milwaukee DMA

Regional Magazines Publishing Company/Owner

Alive Magazine Milwaukee Zoological Society

Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra Encore Encore Ltd.

Lore Milwaukee Public Museum

Alvemo Magazine Alvemo College

Mt. Mary Magazine Mount Mary College

Quarterly Carroll College

Small Business Times Small Business Times

Shepherd Express Alternative Publications

Ou-Tre Mike Paul

Greater Milwaukee Dining Greater Milwaukee Convention & and

Visitors Guide Visitors Bureau

Milwaukee Magazine, Inc,

Wisconsin Times Wisconsin School for the Deaf

US News and World Report

US News and World Report

Time Magazine AOL Time Warner

Newsweek The Washington Post Company

Source: National Directory of Magazines, 2000

44 web sites: radio + TV

9 web sites: newspapes

53 of 100 web sites: radio, TV, newspapes

#### -- Table F8. Local Websites Available in the Milwaukee DMA-

Name Milwaukee's LGBT Center	Owner	URL http://www.mkelgbt.org/ http://www.redcrossinsewis.org/
American Red Cross		nccp://www.reacrossmsewis.org/
Milwaukee Aquarium Society		http://fishclubs.com/W1AS/home2.htm
Milwaukee Astronomical Society		http://www.rnilwaukeeastro.org/
Cavalry Chapter of Milwaukee		http://www.ccmil.com/
Congregation Shalom		http://www.cong-shalom.org/
United Church of God		http://www.ucgrnil.org!
Alverno College		http://www.alverno.edu/
Marquette University		http://www.marquette.edu/
Milwaukaa Araa Taahniaal Callaga		http://www.matc.edu/
Milwaukee Area Technical College Milwaukee Institute <b>of</b> <i>Art</i> and Design		http://www.miad.edu/
Milwayles Cabaal of Engineering		http://www.msoe.edu/
Milwaukee School of Engineering UW-Milwaukee		hrtp://www.uwm.edu/
YWCA of Milwaukee		http://www.ywcaogm.org/orgs4r
1 WCA OF MITWAUKEC		J htm
Hunger Task Force of Milwaukee		http:llwww.hungertaskforce.orgl
PTA council of Milwaukee		http://www.myschoolonline.com /site/0,1876,53529-147930-56- 8307,00.html
Atwater PTA		http://www.shorewoodschools.or g/sch_Atwater/atw_PTA/atw_P TA.htm
Milwaukee's Teacher and Educators' Association		http://www.rnlea.org/
Associated General Contracters of Greater Milwauke	e	http://www.agc-grn.org/
Guide to Milwaukee		http://www.cityonthelake.com
Guide to Milwaukee		http://www.oflicialmiTwaukee,com/main.cfm
Milwaukee Hurling Club		http://www.hurl ing.net/
Milwaukee Bar Association		http://www.milwbar.org/
Milwaukee Fire Department		http://www.rnilfirc.com/
Milwaukee Yacht Club		http://www.milwaukeeyc.com/
Milwaukee County Historical Society		http://www.rnilwaukeecountyhis
Milwaukee Naturally		http://www.milwaukee- naturally.com/

Name	Owner	URL
Milwaukee Jewish Federatio	n	http://www.milwaukeejewish.or g/
Milwaukee One		http://www.rnkel .com/
Milwaukee Rocks		http://www.milwaukeerocks.co
MKE Blue		m/ http://www.december.com/place
All About Milwaukee		s/mke/blue.html http://www.allaboutmiIwaukee.c
Zoological Society of Milwa	ukaa	om/ http://www.wosociety.org/
Metro Milwaukee Association		hnp://www.mmac.org/
Historic Milwaukee		http://www.historicmilwaukee.or g/
Milwaukee Akido Club		http://gbit.com/milwac/
Greater Milwaukee Today		http://www.gmtoday.com/index.asp
Greater Milwaukee Foundati	on	http://www.greateimilwaukeefou ndation.org/
Milwaukee Youth Symphon	y Orchestra	http://www.myso.org/
Guide to Milwaukee	•	http://milwaukee.areaguides.neU
United Way		http://www.unitedwaymilwauke
_		e.org
eBay		www.ebay.com
digitalcity.com		www.digitalcity.com www.digital-neighbor.com
digital-neighbor.com		wisconline.com
All About Wisconsin, Inc		www.onmilwaukee.com
onmilwaukee.com	I 10	
onwisconsin.com	Journal Communications*	www.onwisconsin.com
WCGV-TV	Sinclair Broadcast Group Inc	http://www.wcgv24.com/
WDJT-TV	Weigel Broadcasting Company	http://www.cbs58.com/
WISN-TV	Hearst-Argyle TV Incorporated	http://www.themilwaukeechanne l.com/
WITI	Fox Television Stations Inc	http://www.fox6milwaukee.com/
WMLW-LP	Weigel Broadcasting Company	http://www.wmlw.com/
WMVS	Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board	hrtp://mptv.org/
WMVT	Milwaukee Area Technical College District Board	http:l/mptv.org/
WTMJ-TV	Journal Communications.	http://www.touchbnj4.com/
WVCY-TV	VCY America Inc	http://www.vcyamerica.org/
WVTV	Sinclair Broadcast Group Inc	http://www.wvtv18.com/
WAZI	L&L Pewaukee Ventures Inc	www.lifemessage.org/
WBJX	WBJX Inc	w.lacarnpeona.com
WCCX	Carroll College	http://cscbeta.cc.edu/wccxl
WEXT	NextMedia Group	www.extremecountry.com
WFMR	Saga Communications Incorporated	www.wfmr.com
WGLB	Kinlow, Joel I.	http://my.execpc.com/~wglb/
WGLB	Starboard Broadcasting Inc	http://my.execpc.com/~wglb/fm/ fm.html

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Name	Owner	URL
WGTD	Wisconsin Public Radio	www.gateway.tec.wi.us/Cam- puses/WGTD_FM91/wgtd_fm9 1.html
WHAD	Wisconsin Public Radio	www.wpr.org/
WIIL.	NextMedia Group	www.95wiil.com
WISN	Clear Channel Communications	www.broadcast.com/radio/talk/ wisn
WJJO	Mid-West Family Broadcast Group	www.wjjo.com
WJUB	Jubiliation Ministries	www.wjub.org/
WKKV	Clear Channel Communications	www.v100.com/main.html
WKLH	Saga Communications Incorporated	www.wklh.com/
WKTI	Journal Communications'	www.wkti.com
WLIP	NextMedia Group	www.wlip.com
WLKG	Kwiatkowski, Tom	www.wlkg.com
WLŤQ	Clear Channel Communications	www.light97.net/main.html
WLUM	Milwaukee Radio Alliance LLC	www.newrock.com/home.asp
WLZR	Saga Communications Incorporated	www.wlzr.com
WMCS	Milwaukee Radio Alliance LLC	www.1290wmcs.com
WMIL	Clear Channel Communications	www.fm106.com/main.html
WMSE	Milwaukee School of Engineering	www.wmse.org/
WMWK	Family Stations Inc	www.familyradio.com/
WOKY	Clear Channel Communications	www.am920woky.com/jacor- common/pax.htm
WSHS	Wisconsin Public Radio	www.sheboygan.k12.wi.us/north /Media/wshs/wshs.htm
wsuw	University of Wisconsin System	www.wsuw.org/
WTKM	Kettle Moraine Broadcasting Company	http://webcenteramer.com/wtkm/index.html
WTKM	Kettle Moraine Broadcasting Company	http://webcenieramer.com/wlkm/index.html
WTMJ	Journal Communications'	www.620wtmj.com/
WUWM	University of Wisconsin System	www.uwm.edu/WUWM/
WXER	RBH Enterprises Incorporated	www.wxer.com/pthome.html
WYMS	Milwaukee Board of School Directors	www.wyms.org/
Daily Citizen	Madison Newspapers Inc. **	www.ciiizenol.com
Daily Jefferson County Union	Hoard's Dairyman **	www.dailyunion.com
Watertown Daily Times	Johnson Newspaper Corp.	www.wdtimes.com
Kenosha News	United Communications Corp.	www.kenoshacounty.com
' Milwaukee Journal Sentinel	Journal Communications'	www.jsonline.com
Journal Times	Lee Enterprises Inc.	www.journaliimes.com
Sheboygan Press	Gannett Co. Inc.	www.wisinfo.com/sheboyganpre ss/index.shtml
Daily News	Conley Publishing Group	www.rhinelanderdailynews.com
Waukesha Freeman	Conley Publishing Group	www.gmtoday.com

Notes: \* Owner information obtained from www.jc.com/companies/

<sup>\*\*</sup> Owner information obtained by telephone



### **Broadcast Ownership Rules**

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### **Overview**

- Television and Newspapers are the Dominant Source for Local News and Information
- Television and Newspapers are Separate Local Media Markets
- Local Television and Newspaper Markets are Highly Concentrated
- Ownership Rules are Necessary to Protect and Promote Viewpoint Diversity
- CWA Proposal for Structural Ownership Rules



## Television and Newspapers are the Dominant Source for Local News and Information

- Newspapers
  - 54% read daily paper, 64% Sunday paper (NAA)
  - 62% read newspaper (Waldfogel, Nielsen)
- Television
  - 60% watch eve news, 64% nightly news (Waldfogel); 85% use TV for news (Nielsen)
- Radio
  - 35% use radio for news & info (Nielsen)
- Cable
  - Only 19 markets with local cable news show (Fox et al)
- Internet
  - 18.8% use Internet for news (Nielsen)
  - Only 54% of Americans have Internet access at home (U.S. Dept of Commerce)
  - Most Internet news sites are newspaper or TV sites



### Television and Newspapers are Separate Local Media Markets

- Consumers Show Weak Substitution across Media
   Types
  - FCC Waldfogel study (study #3)
- Advertisers View Local Newspaper, Radio, and Television as Separate Markets
  - FCC Bush study (study #10)



## Relaxation of Media Ownership Limits Has Resulted in More Concentration in Local Media Markets

#### **Growth Rate in Outlets and Owners in Ten Selected Media Markets Media Outlets Media Owners** 1960-1980 1980-2000 1960-1980 1980-2000 Altoona 73% **2**1% 33% 25% Birmingham 57% 34% 70% 12% **Burlington** 147% 43% 115% 21% Charlottesville 62% 77% 100% 40% 0% Kansas City 20% 106% 100% 60% 25% Lancaster 50% 19% Little Rock 71% 114% 10% 106% 267% 43% 115% 44% Myrtle Beach -2% New York 73% 20% 93% 27% 138% 16% Terre Haute 117%

Source: Dean Baker, *Democracy Unhinged*, Analysis of FCC Study #1, S Roberts, J Frenette, D Stearns, "A Comparison of Media Outlets and Owners for Ten Selected Markets (1960, 1980, 2000)"



### Example: Local Radio Markets 1996 - 2002

1996 Telecom Act eliminated national radio ownership limits and reduced local radio limits

- Clear Channel and Infinity now own 1,340 or 43% of all radio stations in U.S. (up from 109 stations in 1996).
- Total number of distinct radio station owners declined 33% since 1996
- In local radio market, top four owners control, on average, 93% of market (as measured by ad revenues), up from 83% in 1996
- Radio ad rates have increased more than 60% (adjusted for inflation)

Sources: FCC study #11, G Williams and S Roberts, "Radio Industry Review 2002"



## Most Local Markets Have Only 4-5 Major News Outlets – the Daily Newspaper and the Major Networks' News Shows

### **Newspapers**

- Most cities have one major daily newspaper
- Newspaper HHIs in virtually all markets are above 1800 (highly concentrated)

#### **Television**

- 70% of DMAs have 4 or fewer original local news shows;
   89% of DMAs have 5 or fewer original local news shows (Source: Fox et al)
- Only 19 DMAs have local cable news (Source: Fox et al)



### Market Concentration in Local Television Markets, 2001

Market Concentration in Local Television Markets - 2001				
DMA	Market Share of	нні		
	Top Four Stations	<u> </u>		
New York City, N.Y. (001)	71 %	1959		
Los Angeles, Ca. (002)	57%	1796		
Chicago, Il. (003)	68%	1852		
Philadelphia, Pa. (004)	83%	2370		
San Francisco, Ca. (005)	80%	2126		
Boston, Ma. (006)	78%	2276		
Dallas, TX. (007)	63%	1881		
Washington, D.C. (008)	85%	2254		
Kansas City, Mo. (031)	80%	1914		
Birmingham, Al. (039)	77%	1895		
Harrisburg, Pa. (046)	95%	2555		
Little Rock, Ar. (056)	93%	2605		
Burlington, Vt. (090)	95%	3500		
Altoona, Pa. (096)	100%	3166		
Myrtle Beach, S.C. (109)	100%	4146		
Terre Haute, In. (145)	100% among 3	4178		
	stations	1		
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Source: B1A, 2001. Market share = average 2000 LCS. HHI calculation based on combined market share for each <u>independently</u> owned commercial station with >1% market share. Market share combined for <u>commonly-owned stations</u>



## Market Concentration in Local Daily Newspaper Markets Daily Newspapers in Principal Metro City & One County

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Daily Newspapers in <b>Princ</b>	րվ Metro City and One Surrounding Cou	<u> </u>	
PrincipalCity and One Surrounding County (DMA)	Daily Newspapers	Market Share	HHI
New York City/Westchester Co. NY (001)	Wall Street burnal	36%	2287
	New York Times	24%	
	NY Daily News	15%	
	NY Post	11%	
	Bloomberg News	6%	
	Journal News (Westchester)	3%	
	Others	5%	
Los Angeles and Orange Co, CA (002)	Los Angeles Times	50%	2909
	Orange County Register	18%	
	La Opinion	7%	
	LA Press-Telegram	5%	
	LA Daily Breeze	4%	
	Korean central Daily	3%	
	Others	13%	
Chicago and Lake Co IL (003)	Chicago Trbure	50%	3856
Officago and Larke as TE (554)	Chicago Sun-Times	35%	
	Lake Daily Herald (Lake Co.)	11%	
	Chicago Defender	2%	
	or noago bara resi	2%	
Philadelphia and Montgomery Co. PA (OW)	Philadelphia Inquirer*	59%	4458
Tilliadelprila and Mortigornery SETA (SW)	Philadelphia Daily News*	31%	
	(*commonly owned with joint advertising)		
	The Mercury (Mont. Co.)	4%	
	Times Herald (Mont. Co.)	3%	
	The Reporter	3%	
Sam Francisco and Santa Clara Co, CA (005)	San Francisco Chrmicle	59%	4473
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	Palo Alto Daily News (Co)	3%	
	San Francisco Examiner	6%	
	Others	1%	
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Principal City and Ore Surrounding County (DMA)	Daily Newspapers	Market Share	HHI
Boston and Middlesex Co, MA (006)	Boston Globe	47%	3239
	Boston Herald	26%	
	Boston Metro	18%	
	The Sun (Lowell MA)	5%	
	Others	4%	
Dallas/Fort Worth a d Denton Co TX (007)	Dallas Morning News	64%	4948
, ,	Fort Worth Star-Telegram	29%	
	Others	7%	1
Washington, D.C. and Montgomery Co. MD (008)	Washington <b>Post</b>	86%	7510
	Washington Times	11%	]
	Montgomery Journal	3%	
Kansas City and Linn Co. MO (031)	The Kansas City Star	95%	9053
	Linn News-Bulletin	5%	
Birmingham, AL (039)	The Birmingham News	88%	7906
•	Birmingham Post-Herald	12%	
	(Joint Operating Agreement)		
Lancaster, PA (046)	Lancaster Intelligencer Journal	100%	10,000
Little Rock and Pulaski Co. AR (056)	Arkansas Democrat-Gazette	96%	9187
	Pulaski Daily Record	3%	
Burlington, VT (090)	Burlinaton Free Press	100%	10,000
Altoona, PA (096)	Altoona Mirror	100%	10,000
Myrtle Beach, SC (109)	Sun News	100%	10,000
Terre Haute, IN (145)	Tribune-Star	100%	10,000
Charlot tesville, VA (192)	Daily Progress	77%	6,431
-, ,,	Cavalier Daily	23%	



# Ownership Rules are Necessary to Protect and Promote Viewpoint Diversity

- Ownership Influences Viewpoint
  - Academic literature
  - Examples from newspaper/broadcast combinations
  - Influence of advertisers on journalism and even on acceptance of issue ads
  - CanWest Global chain editorial policy
- "Synergy" is not viewpoint diversity



## CWA Proposal for Local Broadcast Ownership Rules

- In all but a handful of local media markets, there are only 4-6 independently owned major media outlets
- Allowing further combination in concentrated markets would further reduce diversity and competition
- FCC must either maintain current rules (duopoly, newspaper/broadcast crossownership, dual network, radio rules), or
- Framework for unified local media ownership rule
  - Newspaper, radio, TV are distinct product markets
  - Careful geographic definition of each relevant product market
  - Market share analysis of each product market
  - No combinations (vertical or horizontal) where the product market is highly or moderately concentrated (e.g. duopolies, newspaper/broadcast combinations)
  - Combinations allowed in unconcentrated markets based on public interest review



#### **CWA Proposal to Ensure Viewpoint Diversity**

- Where local media combinations are permitted, FCC rule must require commonly owned media outlets to maintain separate newsrooms and editorial staff
- Modeled after 1970 Newspaper Preservation Act
  - Anti-trust exemption to preserve newspaper competition
  - Requires "there shall be no merger, combination, or amalgamation of editorial or reportorial staffs, and that editorial policies be independently determined"
  - Under NPA, about 12 newspapers jointly operate business/advertising, Allows them to realize economic efficiencies, while preserving autonomous and competitive news operations

